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SUBJECT: 74-75 COTTON SEASON AND PRICES ANNOUNCED

1. GOIC AGRICULTURE MINISTER ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT 74-75 COTTON SEASON TO OPEN MONDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1974 AND END MAY 31, 1975.

2. AGMIN SET PRICES AT 70 CFAF (0.29 DOLLAR) FOR ONE KG TOP QUALITY WHITE, AND 60 CFAF (0.25 DOLLAR) FOR ONE KG COMMON WHITE OR YELLOW. PREDOMINANT COTTON TYPE GROWN HERE "ALLEN" VARIETY.

3. 73-74 SEASON PRICES WERE 45 CFAF FOR TOP GRADE AND 35 CFAF FOR COMMON. NEW PRICES MARK INCREASE OF 55.5 PCT AND 71.4 PCT RESPECTIVELY.

AGMIN STATED RISE IN PRICES NECESSARY TO ENCOURAGE INCREASED PRODUCTION AMONG FARMERS OF NORTH AND CENTRAL REGIONS OF COUNTRY. AGMIN HOPES THAT FARMERS WILL FORM COOPERATIVES TO MAKE THEIR PRODUCTION MORE

COMPETITIVE AND TO INCREASE AREA UNDER CULTIVATION.

4. FYI - AGMIN ALSO ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT ALL SALES FOR COFFEE AND COCOA WERE TO HAVE STOPPED WHEN 73-74 SEASON ENDED SEPTEMBER 30. WHILE AWAITING OPENING OF 74-75 SEASON AND FIXING OF NEW PRICES,

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ALL SALES OF COFFEE AND COCOA STRICTLY FORBIDDEN. END FYI.

5. AIRGRAM TO FOLLOW ON PROJECTION OF 74-75 COCOA PRODUCTION.
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